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SUBJECT: [REDACTED] CLAIM THAT A DEFENDANT IN THE JESUIT
KILLINGS WILL SURFACE AND NAME VICE MINISTER OF DEFENSE
ZEPEDA AS THE AUTHOR

1. THE AMBASSADOR RECEIVED THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION FROM

2. ACCORDING TO [REDACTED] THE MISSING NINTH WITNESS IN THE JESUIT KILLINGS, PRIVATE JORGE ALBERTO ((SIERRA)) ASENSIO, IS ABOUT TO SURFACE IN MEXICO CITY. SIERRA WILL GIVE A PRESS CONFERENCE AND CLAIM THAT SALVADORAN ARMY LIEUTENANT JOSE RICARDO ((ESPINOZA)) WAS IN CONTACT THROUGHOUT THE OPERATION TO KILL THE JESUITS WITH VICE MINISTER OF DEFENSE COLONEL JUAN ORLANDO ((ZEPEDA)) HERRERA. SIERRA WILL NAME ZEPEDA AS THE INTELLECTUAL AUTHOR AND TACTICAL SUPERVISOR OF THE JESUIT MURDERERS. (BOTH SIERRA AND ESPINOZA ARE DEFENDANTS IN THE CASE. SIERRA DESERTED FROM THE ARMY AT THE END OF DECEMBER 1989, AND IS STILL MISSING.)

3. [REDACTED] ALSO CLAIMED THAT U.S. CONGRESSMAN MOAKLEY IS AWARE OF THIS INFORMATION, AND MAY TRAVEL SOON TO MEXICO CITY TO INTERVIEW SIERRA.

4. AMBASSADOR PASSED ABOVE INFORMATION TO THE STATE DEPARTMENT ON 8 MARCH USING SECURE TELEPHONE. [REDACTED]

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